

ARKANSAS

WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



* PLANTING ROW CROPS, HARVESTING WHEAT, OATS AND HAY

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RELEASED: June 1,1999 3:00 p.m.— Temperatures and precipitation were below normal for the week and the week ended with showers and storms in the western half of the state according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 6.0 days were suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 19 percent short, 72 percent adequate and 9 percent surplus. The main farming activities of the week included planting of row crops, harvesting wheat, oats, and hay, flooding of rice fields, fertilizing corn, rice, and pasture.

CROPS: Planting of rice, cotton, soybeans, corn, and sorghum was reported by several counties. Herbicides were being applied rice to fields and insecticides to cotton for thrips. There were also reports of preparation for tomato and peach harvest.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle producers continued to market cattle and wean calves. Cattle were given bang vaccinations, treated for external parasites, and were reported in good condition statewide.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %				Condition % ¹				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM				0	2	33	62	3
Planted	91	91	93					
Emerged	88	88	86					
COTTON				0	3	20	69	8
Planted	99	99	98					
Emerged	90	85	89					
Squaring	2	0	1					
RICE				0	1	23	54	22
Planted	98	97	97					
Emerged	90	85	89					
SOYBEANS				0	1	31	60	8
Planted	50	51	48					
Emerged	32	40	32					
CORN				0	0	32	54	14
Planted	100	100	100					
Emerged	95	96	NA					
WHEAT				0	2	17	55	26
Headed	100	100	100					
Harvested	1	2	1					
OATS				0	5	19	50	26
Headed	100	100	100					
Harvested	10	9	NA					
ALFALFA				0	0	21	71	8
OTH. HAY				0	4	30	59	7
PASTURE				0	3	29	60	8

¹Condition published after at least 10% of crop has emerged, and continues until 90% of crop has been harvested.

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